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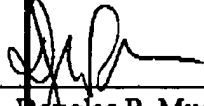
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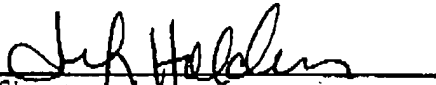
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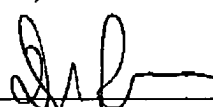
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With respect to the drawings in this application, in the Notice of Allowability mailed on September 7, 2004, the Examiner did not acknowledge whether the drawings are acceptable or not. Therefore, Applicants will assume that the Formal Drawings filed with the application are acceptable in the absence of a specific notification of corrections that are needed. Also, it appears that the Examiner inadvertently listed the wrong claims on the Notice of Allowability. Therefore Applicants respectfully request that the PTO records be corrected to list the allowed claims as 9-13 and 28, renumbered as claims 1-6, respectively, as stated in the Examiners Reasons for Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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